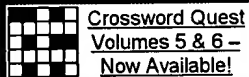




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Main Entry: <sup>1</sup>**board**

Pronunciation: 'bɔrd, 'bord

Function: *noun*

Etymology: Middle English *bord* piece of sawed lumber, border, ship's side, from Old English; akin to Old High German *bort* ship's side

Date: before 12th century

1 *obsolete* : **BORDER**, **EDGE**

2 : the side of a ship

3 **a** : a piece of sawed lumber of little thickness and a length greatly exceeding its width **b plural** : **STAGE** 2a(2)

4 **a archaic** : **TABLE** 3a **b** : a table spread with a meal **c** : daily meals especially when furnished for pay **d** : a table at which a council or magistrates sit **e** (1) : a group of persons having managerial, supervisory, investigatory, or advisory powers <*board of directors*> <*board of examiners*> (2) : an examination given by an examining board -- often used in plural <pass the medical *boards*> **f** : **LEAGUE**, **ASSOCIATION** **g** (1) : the exposed hands of all the players in a stud poker game (2) : an exposed dummy hand in bridge

5 **a** : a flat usually rectangular piece of material (as wood) designed for a special purpose: as (1) : **SPRINGBOARD** 1 (2) : **SURFBOARD** **b** : **BACKBOARD**; *also* : a rebound in basketball **c** : a surface, frame, or device for posting notices **d** : **BLACKBOARD** **e** : **SWITCHBOARD**

6 **a** : **PAPERBOARD** **b** : the stiff foundation piece for the side of a book cover

7 : a securities or commodities exchange

8 *plural* : the low wooden wall enclosing a hockey rink

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